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Stonewall

Stonewall, June 20.- The dry spell has been wonderful for wheat harvest, but it is bad for the gardens and other crops. Let us hope for a shower soon.

Our community was saddened last week by the death of Mrs. J. S. Lindurant. She had many relatives here, where she used to come and visit. We extend sympathy to the loved ones.

We are also sorry to know that Mrs. Irby Wheeler is on the sick list and we wish for her a speedy recovery.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Burnett and children and Aubrey Lee Burnette, of Roanoke spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. J. Rufus Burnette.

Mrs. J. H. Beard spent the week-end with her son, Henry, and her daughter, Mrs. Lewis Martin, of Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Chick spent Sunday with their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Beard. They celebrated Mrs. Beard's father's birthday and also Father's Day together.

Mr. and Mrs. Lester Carson were in Lynchburg last Thursday.

Bob Wheeler, of Richmond spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Irby Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wheeler, of Lynchburg visited his mother, Mrs. Lee Wheeler over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Tilton Lee and children and Mrs. Anna Lee spent Sunday with her father and mother for Father's Day, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Wheeler, at Rustburg.

We are sorry to hear that Ivy Caldwell is sick and in a hospital in Lynchburg. We hope he will soon be well and home again.

Get Degrees

Richmond, June 21.- Louise Gwendolyn Covington, of Vera, and George Abbitt Terry, of Pamplin were among the 342 graduates of the University of Richmond who received degrees at the 118th commencement exercises in the Luther H. Jenkins Greek Theatre.

Miss Covington received a bachelor of arts degree from Westhampton College, women's undergraduate division.

Mr. Terry had the distinction of being a member of the first class to graduate from the School of Business Administration which was organized last year.

Senator Vandenburg re-enters the hospital for check-up.

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LESSON: The Book of Jonah.
GOLDEN TEXT: Ephesians 2:

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Lesson for June 25, 1950.

Dr. Foreman

...THOUGHT he knew better ...God. When men said, "Be ...ched," Jonah decided to take ...vacation. He took a ship for a ...ce so far away he thought ...od could not follow. When ...d "Preach ...ereth," Jonah ...that was ...ery thing he ...sant to do. ...God said, in ...Be a mis- ...Jonah ...be would ...a tourist, ...the prophets ...cond. Jonah ...previsible one. ...remarkable and unique ...book of Jonah is perhaps ...most misunderstood book in ...Bible. Nobody knows how ...ch has been wasted on ...whale (which, incidentally, ...ed a whale but a fish!), ...sses the real message of ...ah is not about whales at all. ...about taking the message of ...to the most unlikely places ...e world; it is the story of ...the very people who ought ...doing it, sometimes won't ...

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...God Care?

...SIDER the good reasons Jonah ...ght have given for not going ...eveh. They are like the rea- ...people give nowadays for not ...g in foreign missions. (A ...to Nineveh was about as ...a mission as any one could ...thought of, in those days. ...ason number one: The ...rrorities were mean people. ...they were. Assyria, of which ...eveh was the capital city, ...ar done, and would do, Israel ...ame harm than any other en- ...my she had.

...The Ninevites were an unscrupu- ...grossly people. They knew no ...ral law. They spread by vio- ...ce into many a country. They ...ere the nation nobody loved. ...Should the message of God be giv- ...to such a city? Jonah thought ...not. God said it should.

...And of course, God was right. If ...the message of God had been sent ...to peoples and nations that ...deserved" such a favor, God's ...messengers would all have stayed ...at home.

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...Far From God

...REASON number two: Nineveh is ...a long way off. Indeed it ...was. To reach Nineveh, Jonah ...would have to pass through at ...least a dozen other cities, all ...of which no doubt needed preachers. ...Were there not enough people ...at home who needed preaching? Of ...course there were . . . Only Jonah ...did not preach to them. He had a ...wonderful missionary opportunity ...right on the ship. Every man of ...the crew was a heathen. But Jonah ...was fast asleep.

This is often too true. People will protest about foreign missions; why send preachers and doctors and teachers and money so far away? Aren't there plenty of heathen right at home? Of course; but you won't often find the objector to foreign missions doing much about it. Any church that is awake and active in supporting foreign missions will be found to be just as active and intelligent in meeting the problems of the neighborhood.

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...Judge The World

...REASON number three: (This ...sounds like a silly reason, but ...which actually put it forward—Jonah 4:2) God is too good. What was the use of preaching to Nineveh, ...Jonah wanted to know, if God was going to be gracious and not destroy the city with fire from the sky?

If God is good and merciful, why should we bother about sending missionaries anywhere? Won't he save every one anyhow? Isn't God too good to judge the world?

...Jonah overlooked the fact that ...God had mercy on the Ninevites ...because they repented. Nowhere in ...the Bible is there any encouragement to believe that God has mercy ...for unrepentant. To all who ...turn to him, God is gracious; and ...the job of the missionary, whatever else he does, is to persuade people to turn to God. Be ye reconciled to God," said Paul, the great Christian missionary. If ...God will not lay down their arms, ...how can there be an amnesty?

The great tragedy of Judaism is the tragedy of Jonah: God wanted his people to win the world; but they became insular, they ceased even to think to be a missionary faith. Shall the same tragedy overtake Christianity?

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POULTRY CLUB MEMBERS EXPECTED TO TOP RECORD

Virginia 4-H poultry club members in 1950 are expected to top their last year's record of raising over 200,000 chickens, turkeys, ducks and geese, says Denver Bragg, 4-H club specialist at V.P. I.

Bragg reports that last year's poultry club enrollment - a record 4,790 —also is expected to be exceeded.

Nation-wide, 4-H's last year raised 8,000,000 birds. The enrollment figure stood at 150,000.

Bragg explains that members are encouraged to carry out the six main objectives of the program, which are: learn the place of poultry in farm economy; acquire skill in poultry raising; appreciate the nutritive value of eggs; learn to grade and market poultry products; and study scientific developments and apply the knowledge to home flock production.

The 4-H's keep records on production and on general achivements in other phases of club work. At the end of the year, these records are judged for special honors.

TO VISIT VIRGINIA

Virginia will be studied this summer by the State International Preparatory School for Boys, domiciled at Tangerine, Florida. The school has notified the Virginia Travel Council that it plans to spend thirty days here, visiting the various attractions of the Old Dominion. "It will travel in its own fleet of buses. Data on Virginia has been sent the school to aid it in planning the itinerary.

HEAVY ODDS

(Wall Street Journal)

Bernard Baruch remarked the other day that never before within his long memory had he seen so much incompetence in high places. He said we ought, without compromise or mercy, to annihilate these forces of incompetence or, at the very least, drive them from public life.

It will be a brave fight and, we fear, a desperate one. Mr. Baruch, who has been to Washington, ought to know that it will be like trying to beat back the locusts with flyswatters.

APARTMENT HOTEL

The largest apartment hotel between Florida and New York City is being pushed to completion at Virginia Beach. According to the Virginia Travel Council, it will include sixteen floors, with more than 250 apartments.

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